

2600 Easton St. NE
Canton, OH 44721

May 25, 2021

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING: The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Scott Haws, John Sabo, Brook Harless, Chief Shalenberger, Eric Williams, Joe Iacino, Thomas Ferrara, Rob Steinberg and Thomas Wolf. Lisa Campbell – **excused for daughter’s graduation**

Media: None

AGENDA: The agenda was presented. John Sabo added concerns of Trustees, Transitional Road Supervisor. The agenda stands as amended.

SHERIFF'S REPORT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT:

- 1. Pending Warrants
#21-239 Motion by Mr. Haws,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to authorize the payment of pending warrants, in an amount of \$ 394,202.75 as attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.
Seconded by Mrs. Harless
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.
- 2. Regular Payroll
#21-240 Motion by Mr. Haws,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to authorize payment of the regular payroll, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00.
Seconded by Mr. Sabo
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.
- 3. Medical Claims
#21-241 Motion by Mr. Sabo,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to authorize payment for the following medical claims as provided by Aultcare:

DATE	WARRANT	AMOUNT
05/14/2021	45398	\$ 17,727.26
05/21/2021	45428	\$ 8,671.58

Seconded by Mrs. Harless
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes

- 4a. Bank Reconciliation – February 28,2021
- 4b. Bank Reconciliation – March 31, 2021
- 5. Investment Report
- 6. Covid Transfers
#21-242 Motion by Mr. Haws
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio to authorize the following transfers of expenses to the Coronavirus Relief Fund:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>Admin/BG & Parks</u>	<u>Coronavirus Relief Fund</u>	
01-A-06C – Medicare	14-A-08X – Medicare	36.89
01-A-12 – OPERS	14-A-02V – OPERS	0.00
01-A-15 - Workers Compensation	14-A-03V – Workers Compensation	38.16
01-B-01 – Salaries	14-A-01V – Salaries	1878.89
01-F-01 – Salaries	14-A-01V – Salaries	0.00
14-A-01A – Salaries	14-A-01V – Salaries	0.00
14-A-01B – Salaries	14-A-01V – Salaries	0.00

Seconded by Mrs. Harless
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

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#21-243 7. Transfer of Funds
Motion by Mr. Sabo,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio
to authorize the following transfers:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Admin		
01-B-02 Improvement of Sites	01-F-02 Improvement of Sites - Alpine	\$50,000.00

Parks

14-A-08Q Other Expenses, Postage	14-a08O Other Exp -Newsletter	\$500.00
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Seconded by Mrs. Harless
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes

ADMINISTRATOR: None
FIRE DEPARTMENT:

#21-244 1. Resignation of Part Time Firefighter/Paramedic Brent Baughman
Motion by Mr. Haws,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark
County, Ohio to accept the resignation of
Brent Bauman as a Plain Township Part-Time Firefighter/Paramedic effective
May 20, 2021 at 0700 am.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

#21-245 2. Resignation of Part Time Firefighter/Paramedic Gabriel Mahaney
Motion by Mr. Haws,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees,
Stark County, Ohio to accept the resignation of
Gabriel Mahaney as a Plain Township Part-Time Firefighter/Paramedic
effective May 13, 2021 at 0700 am.

Seconded by Mrs. Harless
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

#21-246 3. Declare Unsafe Structure at 3221 Roosevelt Ave
Motion by Mr. Haws,
WHEREAS, ORC 505.86 authorizes the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark
County, Ohio to provide for the removal, repair or securance of buildings or other
structures that have been declared insecure, unsafe, or structurally defective or
unfit for human habitation; and
WHEREAS, a written report has been prepared and presented to the Board by the
Fire Inspector as a result of a complaint;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board
of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio that;

1. The conditions of the structure at 3221 Roosevelt Ave NE, Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, Parcel #52-06568, constitute an unsafe and hazardous condition pursuant to ORC 505.86
2. The conditions are such that they constitute an emergency.
3. The conditions shall be remedied by Plain Township pursuant to the procedures outlined in ORC 505.86
4. The Township Fiscal Officer shall certify the total cost of such remedies to the County Auditor and have them applied to the tax duplicate of the above stated property.
5. Notices of this decision will be provided to the property owners and any holders of liens of record therein.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

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#21-247 4. Declare Unsafe Structure at 3742 Martindale Road
 Motion by Mrs. Harless,
 WHEREAS, ORC 505.86 authorizes the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio to provide for the removal, repair or securance of buildings or other structures that have been declared insecure, unsafe, or structurally defective or unfit for human habitation; and
 WHEREAS, a written report has been prepared and presented to the Board by the Fire Inspector as a result of a complaint;
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio that:
 1. The conditions of the structure at 3742 Martindale Road NE, Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, Parcel #52-18670, constitute an unsafe and hazardous condition pursuant to ORC 505.86.
 2. The conditions are such that they constitute an emergency.
 3. The conditions shall be remedied by Plain Township pursuant to the procedures outlined in ORC 505.86
 4. The Township Fiscal Officer shall certify the total cost of such remedies to the County Auditor and have them applied to the tax duplicate of the above stated property.
 5. Notices of this decision will be provided to the property owners and any holders of liens of record therein.
 Seconded by Mr. Sabo
 Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

#21-248 1. **Payment to Evan’s Supply for** snowplow hardware
 Motion by Mr. Haws,
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to authorize purchase and payment to Evans Supply for snowplow cutting edges and hardware, not to exceed the amount of \$6,890.00 from fund #04-A-05E Snow Equipment.
 Seconded by Mr. Sabo
 Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

#21-249 2. Agreement with OHM Advisors
 Motion by Mr. Haws,
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to enter into agreement with OHM Advisors for the Alternatives Analysis Study of Orion St. N.W. Not to exceed the amount of \$19,990.00 from fund 03-C-03 Contracts.
 Seconded by Mrs. Harless
 Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

ZONING DEPARTMENT:

#21-250 1. Nuisance Abatements
 2005 38th St NW
 Motion by Mr. Haws,
 a.
 WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on 5/25/21 by the Board of Trustees regarding the property conditions at 2005 38th St NW, Stark County, Ohio (Parcel # 5216534) and

 WHEREAS, HARRY SWINEHART SR, has failed to demonstrate satisfactory progress in correcting the violations at the above property; and

 WHEREAS, the Plain Township Board of Trustees have provided the owner(s) of the property with notice and opportunity to be heard on this matter;

 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio that:

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•Expired Registrations Ohio Revised Code Section 4503.21.Display of Lic. Plates and validation stickers or temp Lic placard or windshield sticker, and

•The nuisance(s) shall be abated or removed according to the procedures outlined in ORC Section 505.871, and

•Notice of this decision will be provided to the property owners.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

2205 Tamarack Cir NE

#21-251

Motion by Mr. Haws,

b. WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on 5/25/21 by the Board of Trustees regarding the property conditions at 2205 Tamarack Cir NE, Stark County, Ohio (Parcel # 52-11121) and

WHEREAS, BRUCE AND MARLA THOMPSON, has failed to demonstrate satisfactory progress in correcting the violations at the above property; and

WHEREAS, the Plain Township Board of Trustees have provided the owner(s) of the property with notice and opportunity to be heard on this matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio that:

- High grass and/or Weeds **Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87 pertaining to the accumulation of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris constituting a nuisance on property within Plain Township. And**

•The nuisance(s) shall be abated or removed according to the procedures outlined in ORC Section 505.871, and

•Notice of this decision will be provided to the property owners.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

3055 Fulton Dr NW

#21-252

c. Motion by Mr. Haws,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on 5/25/21 by the Board of Trustees regarding the property conditions at 3055 FULTON DR NW, Stark County, Ohio (Parcel # 5205767) and

WHEREAS, THOMAS WOOSNAM & 641 HELLER DRIVE LLC, has failed to demonstrate satisfactory progress in correcting the violations at the above property; and

WHEREAS, the Plain Township Board of Trustees have provided the owner(s) of the property with notice and opportunity to be heard on this matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio that:

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- The nuisance(s) shall be abated or removed according to the procedures outlined in ORC Section 505.871, and

- Notice of this decision will be provided to the property owners.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.
2706 Wertz Ave NW

#21-253

- d. Motion by Mr. Haws,
WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on 5/25/21 by the Board of Trustees regarding the property conditions at 2706 WERTZ AVE NW, Stark County, Ohio (Parcel # 5208907) and

WHEREAS, BTT PROPERTIES LLC, has failed to demonstrate satisfactory progress in correcting the violations at the above property; and

WHEREAS, the Plain Township Board of Trustees have provided the owner(s) of the property with notice and opportunity to be heard on this matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio that:

- High grass and/or Weeds **Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87 pertaining to the accumulation of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris constituting a nuisance on property within Plain Township. And**

- The nuisance(s) shall be abated or removed according to the procedures outlined in ORC Section 505.871, and

- Notice of this decision will be provided to the property owners.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes

#21-254

2. To set a date to hear the Zone Change for McKinley Development
Motion by Mr. Haws,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to **set a hearing date to consider the Board of Zoning Commission's** recommendations for a zoning change for Parcel 10013244 McKinley Development, known as Saratoga Hills Development, from a R-1 to a R-1A zoning classification. The hearing will be set for the next Trustee meeting which will take place on June 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Seconded by Mrs. Harless
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

PARKS:

#21-255

1. Hire seasonal Buildings/Grounds Christopher Woods
Motion by Mr. Haws,
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to hire Christopher Woods for Parks/Buildings and Grounds at a rate of \$12/hr. and no benefits to be paid out of Fund #01-B-01A and/or Fund # 14-A-01V with a hire date of May 26th, 2021, pending drug and alcohol testing.

Seconded by Mrs. Harless
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes.

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LAW DIRECTOR: None
COMMUNICATIONS: None
PUBLIC SPEAKS:

Dave Rood : 2215 Tamarack Cir NE, Canton, OH 44721, expressed concerns about a neighboring nuisance property at 2205 Tamarack Cir NE, Canton, OH 44721. This property was already listed as a zoning nuisance abatement on this agenda. Zoning 1 (b) Res# 21-151.

Thomas Crowther : 7070 Pinetree Ave NE, Canton OH 44721 suggested that no public meetings be held in the Central Fire Station due to difficulty hearing the speakers. He also expressed concerns with the turn arounds and dead end in Saratoga Hills. He also asked if the Township could take bids for one trash collector. He thanked the Board and commended them on the strong financial position of Plain Township.

CONCERNS OF TRUSTEES:

Trustee Sabo spoke about the Transitional Road Supervisor position that is **being filled with Joe Iacino's coming retirement.**

CONCERNS OF FISCAL OFFICER: None

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

#21-256

Motion by Mrs. Harless

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to waive the reading of the minutes held April 27, 2021 and make them part of the record as if read in their totality; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 27, 2021 as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Haws

Vote: Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, yes

#21-257

Motion by Mr. Haws,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to waive the reading of the minutes held May 4, 2021 and make them part of the record as if read in their totality; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to approve the minutes of the special meeting held May 4, 2021 as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo

Vote: Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, yes

#21-258

Motion by Mr. Haws,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to waive the reading of the minutes held May 11, 2021 and make them part of the record as if read in their totality; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to approve the minutes of the meeting held May 11, 2021 as presented.

Seconded by Mrs. Harless

Vote: Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, yes

#21-259

Motion by Mr. Haws,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to waive the reading of the minutes held May 17, 2021 and make them part of the record as if read in their totality; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to approve the minutes of the meeting held May 17, 2021 as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo

Vote: Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, yes

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#21-260 Motion by Mrs. Harless
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to waive the reading of the minutes held May 24, 2021 and make them part of the record as if read in their totality; and
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to approve the minutes of the meeting held May 24, 2021 as presented.
 Seconded by Mr. Sabo
 Vote: Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

#21-261 Motion by Mr. Haws,
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio to adjourn to executive session at 6:39 p.m. from this regular meeting of May 25, 2021 as authorized under Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G) for the purpose of the consideration of:

1. (a) appointment of a public employee or official
- (b) employment of a public employee or official
- (d) discipline of a public employee or official
- (e) promotion or demotion of a public employee or official
- (f) compensation of a public employee or official

Seconded by Mr. Sabo.
Vote: Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes

#21-262 Motion was made by Mr. Haws to return to public session at 7:38 p.m.
 Seconded by Mr. Sabo.
 Vote: Mrs. Harless, yes; Mr. Sabo, yes; Mr. Haws, yes.

#21-263 Motion by Mr. Haws,
 WHEREAS, the Township Fiscal Officer may hire and appoint one or more persons as the Fiscal Officer finds necessary to provide assistance to the Township Fiscal or Deputy Fiscal Officer as provided in 507.021 of the Ohio Revised Code.

WHEREAS, ORC 507.021(C) states: before serving, an assistant to the Township Fiscal Officer shall give bond for the faithful discharge of the duties of the office as may be delegated by the Fiscal Officer. The bond shall be payable to the Board of Plain Township Trustees and shall be for the same sum as required under section 507.03 of the Revised Code for the Township Fiscal Officer, with sureties approved by the board, and conditioned for the faithful performance of duties delegated by the Fiscal Officer. The bond shall be recorded by the Township Fiscal Officer, filed with the county Treasurer, and carefully preserved.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio to hire Betty Casserman to the position of part-time Office Clerk to the Township Fiscal Officer as outlined in ORC 507.021 at the rate of \$15.00 per hour with no benefits beginning June 1, 2021 pending pre-employment drug & alcohol screening results.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo.
Vote: President Haws, Yes; Vice President Sabo, Yes; Member Mrs. Harless, Yes.

#21-264 Motion by Mr. Haws,
 BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio to appoint John P Neff as transitioning highway superintendent effective May 26, 2021 with a salary of \$74,000 a year.
 Seconded by Mrs. Harless
 Vote: Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mr. Haws, Yes; Mrs. Harless, yes

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ADJOURNMENT:

#21-265

Motion by Mr. Haws,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark
County, Ohio, to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo

Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes; Mr. Sabo, Yes; Mrs. Harless, Yes.

John A. Sabo
Trustee

Brook Harless
Trustee

Scott Haws
Trustee

ATTEST:

Thomas Wolf
Fiscal Officer